(b) if so, the cost of the project at the new site and what amount has been earmarked therefor during the year 1984-85; and

(c) when the construction work is likely to start?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) Model Studies at Central Water and Power Research Station, Pune, are in progress for deciding the location of the fishing harbour at Paradeep. An amount of Rs. 4.99 lakhs has been sanctioned during the current year for conducting these studies.

(c) A feasibility report will be prepared on the basis of the Model Study which will be placed before the Public Investment Board for an investment decision before starting the project.

Cross breeding of cattle

2876. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the time since when a Central Sector Scheme on cross breeding of cattle with exotic dairy breeds and improvement of buffaloes using frozen semen technique outside Operation Flood II areas has been implemented in Orissa;

(b) the amount allocated to Orissa under the above scheme so far; and

(c) the names of the districts in Orissa which are covered under the scheme and the progress made in that regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The scheme was sanctioned in March, 1982 for implementation during the Sixth Plan period.

(b) A sum of Rs. 116.16 lakh was allocated and released as central assistance under the scheme.

(c) The scheme covers areas in the districts of Kalahandi, Koraput, Phulbani and Bolangir.

About Rs. 60 lakh have been spent on creation of various infrastructural facilities such as frozen semen laboratory equipment, liquid nitrogen containers, generators, rennovation of buildings, fodder production facilities, vehicles, breeding bulls, etc Orders for the purchase|import of certain equipments|liquid nitrogen plants costing Rs. 50 lakh have also been placed. Pending import of liquid nitrogen plants, State Government have introduced frozen semen technology on limited scale in the four Districts with the help of liquid nitrogen purchased locally to provide experience|training to staff in handling frozen semen and related equipments.

Book banks in Orissa

2877. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of book banks which have been set up in different districts in Orissa;

(b) the number of schools and colleges in Phulabani District in the State which have book banks;

(c) the main objective of the book banks; and

(d) how far those objectives have been achieved in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL): (a) to (d) As setting up of Book Banks is the concern of the State Governments, statistics on the subject are not maintained by this Ministry.